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FLUID PORT INTERFACES
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the period for responding to the Official Action of November 5, 2003, in the above-identified application, now set to expire on February 5, 2004, be extended by one month, until March 5, 2004.

A response to the Official Action, a Request for Continued Examination, and payment of the extension fee of \$55.00, as prescribed in 37 CFR §1.17, are attached.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P. O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW.

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